

Data Structure

Lecture#16: Internal Sorting (Chapter 7)

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In This Lecture

- Definition and evaluation measures of sorting
- Exchange sorting algorithms and their limitations
- Shellsort and how to exploit the best-case behavior of other algorithm



Sorting

- Sorting: puts elements of a list in a certain order (increasing or decreasing)
 - □ Many applications: scores, documents, search results, ...
 - One of the most fundamental tasks in Computer Science
- Sorting in offline world









Sorting

- We will discuss many sorting algorithms
 insertion sort, bubble sort, selection sort, shell sort, merge sort, quicksort, heap sort, bin sort, radix sort
- Measures of cost:
 # of Comparisons
 # of Swaps



Insertion Sort (1)

- Initially, the output is empty
- Insert each item one by one to the output
 - Insert it in a correct place to make the output in a sorted order



Insertion Sort (2)



Input

Output



Insertion Sort (3)

```
static <E extends Comparable<? super E>>
void Sort(E[] A) {
  for (int i=1; i<A.length; i++)
    for (int j=i;
        (j>0) && (A[j].compareTo(A[j-1])<0);
        j--)
        DSutil.swap(A, j, j-1);
}</pre>
```

of Swaps, # of Comparisons

- Best Case:
- Worst Case:
- Average Case:



Insertion Sort (4)

```
static <E extends Comparable<? super E>>
void Sort(E[] A) {
  for (int i=1; i<A.length; i++)
    for (int j=i;
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        j--)
        DSutil.swap(A, j, j-1);
}</pre>
```

Best Case: 0 swaps, n – 1 comparisons
 Worst Case: n²/2 swaps and comparisons
 Average Case: n²/4 swaps and comparisons

Insertion Sort is very efficient when the array is near-sorted. This characteristic is used later in other sorting algorithms.



Bubble Sort (1)

- Maybe, one of the most popular sorting algorithms
 - Appears in many computer language introduction books
- Main Idea
 - □ Initially, the output is empty
 - At each iteration
 - "Bubble up" the smallest element from the input to the output (= move the smallest element from the input to the output)
 - Using an array for both input and output
 - At iteration *k*, *k* th smallest element is located in the array[k]
 - Given an array, how to move the smallest element to the beginning of the array?
 - One idea is to swap neighbors repeatedly, from the end of the array



Bubble Sort (2)





Bubble Sort (3)

```
static <E extends Comparable<? super E>>
void Sort(E[] A) {
  for (int i=0; i<A.length-1; i++)
    for (int j=A.length-1; j>i; j--)
        if ((A[j].compareTo(A[j-1]) < 0))
        DSutil.swap(A, j, j-1);
}</pre>
```

of Swaps, # of Comparisons

- Best Case:
- Worst Case:
- Average Case:



Bubble Sort (4)

```
static <E extends Comparable<? super E>>
void Sort(E[] A) {
  for (int i=0; i<A.length-1; i++)
    for (int j=A.length-1; j>i; j--)
        if ((A[j].compareTo(A[j-1]) < 0))
            DSutil.swap(A, j, j-1);
}</pre>
```

Best Case: 0 swaps, n²/2 comparisons
Worst Case: n²/2 swaps and comparisons
Average Case: n²/4 swaps and n²/2 comparisons



Selection Sort (1)

- Essentially, a bubble sort
- Given an array, how to move the smallest element to the beginning of the array?
 - □ [Bubble Sort] swap neighbors repeatedly
 - □ [Selection Sort] scan the array, find the smallest element, and swap it with the first item in the array



Selection Sort (2)





Selection Sort (3)

```
static <E extends Comparable<? super E>>
void Sort(E[] A) {
  for (int i=0; i<A.length-1; i++) {
     int lowindex = i;
     for (int j=A.length-1; j>i; j--)
        if (A[j].compareTo(A[lowindex]) < 0)
        lowindex = j;
     DSutil.swap(A, i, lowindex);
   }
}</pre>
```

of Swaps, # of Comparisons

- Best Case:
- Worst Case:
- Average Case:



Selection Sort (4)

```
static <E extends Comparable<? super E>>
void Sort(E[] A) {
  for (int i=0; i<A.length-1; i++) {
    int lowindex = i;
    for (int j=A.length-1; j>i; j--)
        if (A[j].compareTo(A[lowindex]) < 0)
            lowindex = j;
        DSutil.swap(A, i, lowindex);
    }
}</pre>
```

- Best Case: 0 swaps (n-1 swaps for bad swap()), n²/2 comparisons
- Worst Case: n-1 swaps and n²/2 comparisons
- Average Case: O(n) swaps and n²/2 comparisons

Better than Bubble sort, since # of swap is much smaller



Pointer Swapping



(a)



(b)





	Insertion	Bubble	Selection
Comparisons			
Best Case	Θ(<i>n</i>)	$\Theta(n^2)$	$\Theta(n^2)$
Average Case	$\Theta(n^2)$	$\Theta(n^2)$	$\Theta(n^2)$
Worst Case	$\Theta(n^2)$	$\Theta(n^2)$	$\Theta(n^2)$
Swaps			
Best Case	0	0	0 or ⊖(<i>n</i>)
Average Case	$\Theta(n^2)$	$\Theta(n^2)$	Θ(<i>n</i>)
Worst Case	$\Theta(n^2)$	$\Theta(n^2)$	Θ(<i>n</i>)



Exchange Sorting

- All of the sorting algorithms so far rely on exchanges of *adjacent* records.
 - □ Thus, they are called "exchange sorting" algorithms
- What is the average number of exchanges required in any exchange sorting of *n* items?
 - □ There are *n*! permutations
 - Consider a permuation X and its reverse, X'
 - □ Together, all pairs require *n*(*n*-1)/2 exchanges (or "inversion") in total.
 - On average, each permutation requires $n(n-1)/4 = \Omega(n^2)$ exchanges



Shell Sort (1)

Main idea

- □ Task: sort an array x of size n
- Consider the following two sub arrays from x
 - x_e (contains elements whose indexes are even)
 - x_o (contains elements whose indexes are odd)
- Assume x_e and x_o are sorted, respectively
- □ Then, insertion sort on x would be efficient (why?)
- Now, recursively consider the above process on the two subarrays
- Shell sort: go backward from the end of the above process



Shell Sort (2)

Procedure

□ Pass 1

 Make n/2 sublists of 2 elements each, where the array index of the 2 elements differs by n/2

□ E.g., for n = 16, make 8 sublists: (0, 8), (1, 9), ..., (7, 15)

- Each list of 2 elements is sorted using Insertion Sort
- □ Pass 2
 - Make n/4 sublists of 4 elements each, where the array index of the 4 elements differs by n/4

□ E.g., for n = 16, make 4 sublists: (0, 4, 8, 12), (1, 5, 9, 13), ...

• Each list of 4 elements is sorted using Insertion Sort

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Shell Sort (3)

Main Idea

□ Pass 3

- Make n/8 sublists of 8 elements each, where the array index of the 8 elements differs by n/8
 - \Box E.g., for n = 16, make 2 sublists: (even numbers), (odd numbers)
- Each list of 8 elements is sorted using Insertion Sort
- □ ... Final Pass (Pass (log n))
 - Make 1 sublist of n elements(=do nothing), and sort the sublist using insertion sort (= apply the standard insertion sort on the array)



Shell Sort (4)





Shell Sort (5)

```
static <E extends Comparable<? super E>>
void Sort(E[] A) {
  for (int i=A.length/2; i>2; i/=2)
    for (int j=0; j<i; j++)</pre>
      inssort2(A, j, i);
  inssort2(A, 0, 1);
/** Modified version of Insertion Sort for
    varying increments */
static <E extends Comparable<? super E>>
void inssort2(E[] A, int start, int incr) {
  for (int i=start+incr; i<A.length; i+=incr)
    for (int j=i;(j >= start+incr)&&
                  (A[j].compareTo(A[j-incr])<0);</pre>
         j-=incr)
      DSutil.swap(A, j, j-incr);
```



Shell Sort (6)

Correctness: Shellsort always sorts an array correctly. Why?

• Since it performs the insertion sort at the end

- Efficiency: Is Shellsort better than Insertion Sort?
 - Yes (in most cases), since each insertion sort operates on an "almost sorted" array
 - Fact: average-case performance of ShellSort takes $O(n^{1.5})$, which is much efficient than Insertion Sort



What you need to know

- Sorting: puts elements in a certain order
 Evaluation: # of swaps, # of comparisons
- Exchange sorting algorithms
 Insertion sort, bubble sort, and selection sort
 Cost and limitations
- Shellsort
 - Main ideas
 - □ How it exploits insertion sort



Questions?